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(SBU) The Prime Minister's Chief of Staff, Tariq Abdullah, told DCM on October 28 that the UN had notified the MFA of its intention to send Assistant Secretary General Oscar Fernandez Taranco to Iraq to gather information about foreign support for the perpetrators of the August 19 bombing, in response to the GOI's request (ref A & B). Abdullah stated that the GOI had approved the proposed visit and was still working out possible dates with the UN. HILL